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## Weekly Weather Crop Report

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### Crop Summary

There were 4.2 days suitable for fieldwork last week. Soil moisture was rated 82 percent adequate and 18 percent surplus. Drier conditions made it possible for producers to plant some crops and begin land preparation for other crops. Livestock conditions were rated at 18 percent fair, 73 percent good, and 9 percent excellent. Pasture was rated 83 percent of normal.

Crop Progress In Percentages					Crop Conditions in Percentages				
Crop	Event	1995	1994	5-Yr Avg	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Corn	Planted	18	21	19					
Wheat	Jointed	72	45	57			62	32	6
Watermelons	Planted	16	15	18					

### County Agent Comments

"Corn is being planted and rice and cotton ground is being worked. Hopefully, this pretty weather will stay with us. Wheat looks good."

— Don Respass, Quitman County

"Fields finally dry enough to do some field work."

— Doyle Varner, Jr., Tallahatchie County

"Farmers were able to row up high ground and sandy loam soils this week. The unusual warm weather has encouraged pasture growth."

— Mike Howell, Calhoun County

"Fields have dried enough for corn planting to start. Pastures have started to grow up. Drier conditions are appreciated."

— Gale Chrestman, Pontotoc County

"Field work has slowly begun. Sandy soils have been worked this week. No planting is taking place."

— Thomas T. Baird, Sunflower County

"A high percentage of cropland has been treated with preplant herbicides and bedded."

— Jon T. Ruscoe, Washington County

"Beautiful weather this week had producers anxious to work but many field conditions remain too wet. Customer fertilizer applicators working frantically as weather permits. All producers want fertilizer applied now so they can row-up cotton ground."

— Tim W. Pepper, Yazoo County

"Wheat is now beginning to grow. Field work is picking up. Last half of the week was good for planting corn. Many low land fields are still too wet for working."

— Perry D. Kimbrough, Clay County

"We started planting corn Wednesday on our high spots. Some parts of the county are still wet, and they will not be ready to plant until Monday. Overall, this has been a very good week for planting, spraying and applying fertilizer."

— Dr. Dennis B. Reginelli, Noxubee County

"A week of warm sunny weather has allowed farmers to plant a large part of their corn silage; many are putting out nitrogen on their ryegrass."

— Brad Horton, Agent In Training, Marion County

Weather Summary From 3/20/95 to 3/26/95 For Mississippi

District/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				4 Inch Soil Temperature		
	Max	Min	Ave	Norm	DFN	One Week	DFN	Rain Days	Four Weeks	Max	Min	Ave
1. Upper Delta												
Tunica	82	42	64	53	11	0.00	-1.01	0	4.55	77	58	66
Clarksdale	83	49	66	54	12	0.08	-0.84	1	6.98	74	54	63
Cleveland	85	47	65	M	M	0.00	M	0	7.57	M	M	M
Extreme/Average	85	42	65	53	12	0.03	-0.94	0	6.37	77	54	65
2. North-Central												
Holly Springs	81	39	62	51	11	0.35	-0.80	1	4.76	75	51	62
Oxford	86	37	65	52	13	0.00	-1.08	0	7.42	M	M	M
Extreme/Average	86	37	63	51	12	0.18	-0.94	1	6.10	75	51	62
3. Northeast												
Corinth	83	37	64	53	11	0.36	-0.79	1	4.89	M	M	M
Iuka	82	40	62	52	10	0.00	-1.39	0	8.13	M	M	M
Pontotoc	85	42	65	53	12	0.00	-1.17	0	9.19	73	52	62
Verona	85	42	66	M	M	0.00	M	0	9.35	74	52	62
Extreme/Average	85	37	64	53	11	0.13	-1.11	0	7.66	74	52	62
4. Lower Delta												
Greenville	87	49	68	56	12	0.00	-0.96	0	10.48	M	M	M
Belzoni	88	50	68	56	12	0.00	-0.93	0	8.06	87	61	72
Rolling Fork	87	51	68	57	11	0.00	-1.10	0	7.95	84	63	73
Yazoo City	86	48	69	56	13	0.00	-1.15	0	7.79	M	M	M
Extreme/Average	88	48	68	56	12	0.00	-1.02	0	8.78	87	61	72
5. Central												
Winona	86	40	63	53	10	0.33	-0.77	1	6.82	M	M	M
Carthage	89	49	69	56	13	0.00	-1.02	0	6.64	M	M	M
Extreme/Average	89	40	66	54	12	0.17	-0.89	1	6.64	M	M	M
6. East-Central												
State University	88	40	66	55	11	0.00	-1.18	0	6.78	75	56	66
Columbus	92	45	68	56	12	0.01	-0.88	1	6.10	M	M	M
Brooksville	90	48	70	M	M	0.00	-1.02	0	5.85	78	53	64
Extreme/Average	92	40	68	56	13	0.00	-1.03	0	6.24	78	53	66
7. Southwest												
Oakley	86	52	70	57	13	0.00	-1.13	0	8.67	84	57	69
Crystal Springs	88	55	70	M	M	0.00	-0.75	0	10.52	79	66	74
Natchez	83	55	70	59	11	0.01	-1.16	1	8.01	M	M	M
Extreme/Average	88	52	70	58	12	0.00	-1.02	0	9.06	84	57	71
8. South-Central												
Columbia	87	51	71	60	11	0.00	-1.20	0	8.32	M	M	M
Extreme/Average	87	51	71	60	11	0.00	-1.20	0	8.32	M	M	M
9. Southeast												
Newton	87	47	67	56	11	0.00	1.17	0	6.58	76	50	64
Laurel	86	51	69	58	11	0.00	-0.97	0	6.83	M	M	M
Hattiesburg	87	56	70	59	11	0.00	-1.22	0	6.96	M	M	M
Beaumont	89	47	70	M	M	0.00	M	0	7.33	85	58	72
Extreme/Average	89	47	69	57	12	0.00	-1.12	0	6.93	85	50	68
10. Coastal												
Poplarville	87	56	71	60	11	0.00	-1.36	0	7.73	85	61	72
Bay St. Louis	84	53	70	60	10	0.00	1.33	0	6.84	M	M	M
Gulfport	80	58	70	61	9	0.00	-1.24	0	7.54	M	M	M
Wiggins	87	45	70	60	10	0.00	-1.46	0	8.56	M	M	M
Pascagoula	78	50	66	61	5	0.00	-1.24	0	7.62	M	M	M
Extreme/Average	87	45	70	61	9	0.00	-1.33	0	7.66	85	61	72
State Averages	88	44	67	56	11	0.05	-1.06	0	7.39	81	55	67
State Extremes				Location								
Greatest weekly precipitation			0.36	Corinth								
Greatest 4-week precipitation			10.52	Crystal Springs								
Maximum air temperature			92	Columbus								
Minimum air temperature			37	University & Corinth								
Maximum soil temperature			87	Belzoni								
Minimum soil temperature			62	Holly Springs								

Abbreviations:

Max = Maximum  
 Min = Minimum  
 Ave = Average  
 Norm = Normal  
 DFN = Departure From Normal  
 M = Missing

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